

HOUSE RESOLUTION 436
By Coleman

A RESOLUTION to commend Sara Beth Anderson for her honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee as a member of the AmeriCorps program.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Sara Beth Anderson is one such estimable person who evinces the greatest integrity and compassion in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, born on December 31, 1979, in Paducah, Kentucky, Ms. Anderson is a 1998 graduate of LaVergne High School; she was President of her Senior Class and was involved in numerous academic clubs and extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, continuing her education at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville (UTK), Sara Anderson was active in numerous clubs while she majored in Sociology; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating from UTK, Sara made the decision to dedicate her time and talents to public service through the AmeriCorps program; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Anderson was accepted into the program in 2003 and is currently serving on the west coast, where she has volunteered in Blythe, California, Astoria, Oregon, and Crown King, Arizona; and

WHEREAS, throughout her exemplary tenure with the AmeriCorps program, Sara has distinguished herself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order through her efforts in mentoring children in inner city schools, assisting the Red Cross in the combating of southern California fires, and building homes for migrant workers; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Anderson's remarkable gift of a public service is directly attributable to her reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and her uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Sara Anderson is a an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and she epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to upholding family values of the highest order, Sara is fortunate to have been blessed with a loving father, the late Mike Anderson, and is most grateful for the love and support of her family, Tom and Leigh Ann Orsulak, Melissa, Courtney, and Cody Anderson, Zana Anderson, and Cory Fulghum, and her many friends; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Anderson is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennesseans recognition as the "Volunteers," and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Sara Beth Anderson for her honorable and astute service to the good people this Nation as a member of the AmeriCorps program and salute her unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.